





severely from malaria. If any member of the Board had been to Taipei, he would know that in the vicinity of the police station there were acres of paddy fields. These paddy fields were ideal breeding-places for mosquitoes, and to exterminate them would necessitate the sowing up and draining of these paddy fields in an operation that would run away with an enormous amount of money.

The President—Do you persist in your action, Dr. Hartigan?  
Dr. Hartigan replied that he did. Dealing with the one question of training these nullahs, he had it on the distinct authority of Dr. Crook that to get rid of anopheles pools was a simple and inexpensive matter. It seemed to him that the appointment of Dr. Thomson as a special medical officer was not required. His idea was that a Superintendent Officer should be taught to recognize an anopheles pool and report its existence and situation to the Public Works Department, which could see to its filling up with cement or lime, attention being more particularly paid to such pools that existed close to European habitations. This other proposal meant prostration. They should require to wait an indefinite period for Dr. Thomson's reports.

Dr. Bell—Excuse me, I said his reports would come in from time to time. Dr. Thomson will have complete control of everything. It will be entirely for him to say where mosquitoes breed, and directly he has got the place, he will report on that fact, and it will develop on either the Government or Public Works Department to carry out what he advises.

Dr. Hartigan said that after Dr. Bell's explanation he placed himself altogether in the hands of the Board in the matter of the motion advanced by him. He did not wish to press it on the Board if it was thought there was no necessity for it.

Mr. Osborne was of opinion that Dr. Hartigan's motion should stand. He thought the scheme had been put forward by Dr. Bell far too extensive to be carried out in their time, and Dr. Hartigan proposed a very simple and practical method of dealing with the question. It would be some time before Dr. Thomson would be at liberty, and what little they could do now should be done.

Dr. Bell—I have already told you that the scheme is practically finished; it only remains to get a man to do the other man's work. Inside of a month we shall have a skilled man at work. It is not a question of a lifetime. You will have the reports in the first or second week in January. I think, if the Government give you a skilled man, there is no necessity for having another.

The Hon. F. H. MAY—I understand that, supposing Dr. Thomson does find half-a-dozen of these pools, he will recommend that they be filled up, and they will be filled up.

Dr. Bell—When Dr. Thomson has any suggestions to make he will make them, but whether they will be carried out of course I cannot tell you.

Dr. Clark presumed that since a European was to accompany Dr. Thomson in his visits to these pools, this man would see that all was carried out in accordance with the views of Dr. Thomson. It was a very excellent scheme, and would enable the doctor to get the work done much more expeditiously than otherwise would have been the case.

The Hon. F. H. MAY said the whole matter had been taken up by the Government, and the Board had other matters to which it might better direct its attention. He begged to move as an amendment "that the Board ask the Government that the reports of Dr. Thomson in the course of his investigations into the question of anopheles and his views on the treatment thereof should be forwarded from time to time for their information."

Dr. Bell seconded.  
Dr. Clark rose to a point of order. It seemed to him that the amendment was an amendment to an amendment, and he had any objection to adding it to the original resolution.

The Hon. F. H. MAY objected to this proposal, and maintained that the amendment was perfectly in order.

After some discussion the President ruled that the amendment was in order, and proceeded to put it to the meeting.

The vote resulted in the amendment being carried by a majority of one, five voting in its favour and four against.

The members in favour of the amendment were the President, the Hon. F. H. MAY, Dr. Bell, Major Brown, and Mr. Fung Wa Chuen.

THE INSPECTOR'S QUARTERS AT KENNEDYTOWN.  
Dr. Hartigan, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions—  
(a) Will the President lay before the Board plans and reports on the new infectious hospital at Kennedytown, together with such other information thereon as may enable the Board to judge of its suitability for the purpose intended?

(b) Will the President furnish a short statement as to what has been done, or is in hand, regarding the proposed extension of the Western Market, and the proposed Market at Kowloon?

The President, answering the first question, said—As President of this Board I have the custody of no plans or reports which are not equally open to any other member of the Board. As Director of Public Works I am not ex-officio President, and any plans or reports required from me as Director of Public Works should be asked for through the Hon. the Colonial Secretary. But on this occasion I am prepared to save time by replying: The plans asked for are for a building to be erected by a private and independent institution. I cannot lay them before the Board without express instruction from Government. The same remark applies to the reports which are contained in Colonial Office files.

The President, in reply to the second question, said—There is no proposal that I have heard of to extend the Western Market, consisting as it does of a number of badly arranged, badly constructed and insanitary buildings. It is proposed to build a new market on the reclaimed land in front of the Harbour Office, a site selected by a committee (on which three members of this Board served) especially appointed for the purpose by His Excellency the Governor. The plans for this new building are being prepared by the Public Works Department, in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health and the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, and will in due course be laid before the Board. As regards the proposed market for Kowloon, a committee was appointed by His Excellency the Governor to report on the subject and select a site. The preparation of the plans is now in hand. These plans will, in accordance with instructions, be laid before this Board in due course.

Dr. Hartigan—Can you give us any approximate time when these public works will be completed?  
The President said that with regard to the Western Market foundations similar to those required for the New Law Courts would have to be put in, and he did not think the work could be completed in two years. With regard to the proposed market at Kowloon, as the proposal was only brought forward a couple of months ago, it would be necessary to sanction a supplementary vote to get the work done next year.

There would be no difficulty about the foundations of this market.

THE SANITARY IMPROVEMENT OF THE COLONY.  
The Hon. F. H. MAY said that at the next meeting of the Board he proposed to ask the following question:—"What steps have the Board taken in answer to an invitation given to the Board in June last by direction of the Officer Administering the Government to formulate a scheme of sanitary improvement in the colony?"

The following reply, dated December 3rd, from Government relative to the Kowloon water supply scheme was submitted:  
In reply to your letter No. 176 of the 23rd ultimo, regarding the Kowloon water supply, I am directed to inform you that the details of the scheme will be published at an early date."

THE OUTBREAK OF FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE AT POKFULAM.  
Having been directed by the Board to furnish a report as to the origin of the outbreak of foot and mouth disease at Pokfulam,

Mr. Ladds (Colonial Veterinary Surgeon) wrote:—"I am unable to trace the origin of the outbreak of foot and mouth disease of the Dairy Farm premises at Pokfulam, but may state that the disease has been endemic upon many parts of the mainland during the last three years, and knowing its infectious nature can only surmise that the contagion was carried to the farm either in food-stuffs or by infected clothing worn by some of the company's employees."

The following minutes were appended:—  
Major Brown:—"Importation of fodder from and visits of employees to the infected districts could possibly be traced."

Dr. Hartigan:—"It would be well to prohibit importation of fodder from infected districts. I think further restrictions should be made, and in any case obtained direct from the mainland, if necessary, through someone despatched to make enquiries."

Dr. Clark:—"Instruct the Secretary to enquire from the Dairy Farm Company where they obtain their fodder from."

Dr. Hartigan said that in connection with this he might say that he had been told by a citizen who was well informed on these matters that numbers of cattle were landed in the colony without examination or supervision—that they were landed and Mr. Ladds knew nothing about them, and that consequently they could not be inspected. If that was true the colony was running a very great danger of infection. As far as he could learn certain cattle were landed, walked through the town, and infected some healthy cattle not very long ago—within the last two years. This was a matter more for the Police than for the Board. He gave the information for what it was worth.

Dr. Clark—I think the Secretary might be instructed to enquire of the Dairy Farm whether they obtain their fodder from the mainland.

This was agreed to.  
On the motion of the Hon. F. H. MAY, seconded by Dr. Bell, it was decided that the statement that cattle are landed in the colony without undergoing examination, and that an explanation be asked for as to how this occurs, and that he should report on the matter.

THE INSPECTOR'S QUARTERS AT KENNEDYTOWN.  
Correspondence was submitted relative to the quarters of the Inspector in charge of the Animal Depots at Kennedytown.

Mr. Ladds (Colonial Veterinary Surgeon) wrote on the 29th ult.:—"Referring to your letter of the 29th ult. respecting the Inspector's quarters at Kennedytown, I have the honour to inform you that after making many enquiries Mr. Watson finds that it is impossible to obtain suitable temporary quarters anywhere in the district near the scene of his duties. As it is absolutely necessary that the Inspector should reside close at hand to have any proper control or supervision over the Slaughter House and Animal Depots, I therefore beg to recommend that he be allowed to remain where he is at present for the reason that the ensuing season is not generally considered to be the worst for malaria, and should it be proved conclusively that the anopheles mosquito is the only source of malaria, the larvae of these insects can be very quickly killed off for the time being in the few pools in which they have at present been found at Kennedytown, but unless these pools are then filled up at once or, better still, drained, as long since recommended by Dr. Clark and myself, the anopheles will reappear in them directly any effort at killing them is relaxed. This I proved during the whole of last cool season, having treated the pools which they affected periodically, with the result that during the latter part of that time none could be found anywhere in the district, but directly the rainy season commenced they were soon back again and thoroughly re-established in their old quarters."

The following minutes were appended:—  
The Hon. R. D. ORMSBY:—"Send copy to Colonial Secretary and say I see no reason why Mr. Watson should not remain in quarters. Ask the C. V. S. to kindly explain how a natural stream or water can be drained. The usual meaning of draining is to remove all water from."

Mr. Ladds:—"In answer to the latter part of the President's minute, I beg to point out that in my letter of the 19th November I made no mention of draining the natural stream or water-course, by which I presume he means the nullah, which runs down the hill-side in front of the Inspector's quarters, but simply referred to the small pools which abound in the Kennedytown district, independent of the natural stream or water-course. I may further mention as an afterthought that, although Inspector Watson has failed to find suitable temporary quarters near the scene of his duties, perhaps one of the Government Villas at the Peak is available, and should it be thought desirable the Inspector might go there, retaining the allowance for conveyance expenses to and fro, and to assist in defraying the extra cost of living at the Peak, such as increase in servants' wages, fuel, etc. At present Mrs. Watson is in bed suffering from an attack of fever which she has had for nearly a week. For these reasons I beg to suggest that this minute be also referred to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary for the information and decision of His Excellency the Governor."

Dr. Hartigan:—"It is a most unusual proceeding for the President to say he sees no reason why Mr. Watson should not remain in his quarters, when the Board has decided otherwise. There seems to be no supervision of depots at present."

Mr. McKie:—"Agree with Dr. Hartigan."

The Hon. F. H. MAY:—"This officer should not be allowed to reside at the Peak. I don't believe that no quarters are obtainable in Kennedytown."

The President, alluding to Dr. Hartigan's minute, said he really did not see why the President should not express an opinion as well as any other free man in the colony. If Inspector Watson liked to live at the quarters at Kennedytown he did not see why he should be interfered with. The other day he was down at Kennedytown and he discussed the matter with Inspector Watson for about half-an-hour. He himself was in good health, although he had previously suffered from fever, and his children

were as healthy as any he had seen. His wife seemed to be fever-stricken, but when the man preferred to live in the quarters at Kennedytown to going to live in a flat at Kennedytown, or at the Peak he should be allowed to live there.

After some little discussion it was decided, on the motion of the Hon. F. H. MAY, seconded by Dr. Bell, to recommend that Inspector Watson be allowed to remain in his quarters at Kennedytown during the cool season.

THE DISPOSAL OF THE CARCASSES OF CATTLE AND PIGS.  
Correspondence was submitted relative to the disposal of the carcasses of cattle and pigs.

Mr. J. J. BRYAN, Sanitary Surveyor, in a letter dated 3rd December, said:—"The only piece of available ground that I can find in the vicinity of the Cattle Market is the portion enclosed red on the enclosed tracing, of which only about 2,000 square feet can be used, as the ground is rather marshy. I have had it cleared, the ground water diverted, and it is now ready for use. When I visited the present burial ground last Monday I found that a carcass of a pig had just been buried only one foot six inches below the surface of the ground. The stench all over the ground was obnoxious and led me to suppose that most of the other carcasses were buried at about the same depth. To avoid a recurrence of this in the new ground I am having two trenches dug, one for cattle six feet deep and one for sheep and pigs five feet deep. If the C. V. S. will notify me when these are filled I will have others prepared. I would suggest that in future all carcasses should be buried in line. This ground is only sufficient to last for about two months, or at the most three, and it therefore becomes imperative that the disposal of these carcasses be made by the disposal of these carcasses. In my opinion, as previously stated, a crematorium for cattle would be found to be too expensive in working, and I would suggest that after the present ground is used, and pending the erection of a destructor, all condemned carcasses of animals should be taken out to sea and under proper supervision weighed and thrown overboard."

Dr. Hartigan minute:—"Would it not be well to use lime over the old portion of the burial ground as well as over the new? Carrying carcasses to sea is neither a safe nor an expensive method. The disposal of these carcasses at least that was the general opinion when the crematorium was tried in 1896 (?) at the Dairy Farm."

The Hon. R. D. ORMSBY:—"I have written to England and Bombay for plans and estimates for a suitable crematorium for disposing of the carcasses of cattle and pigs, and a German firm are also going to send in a tender with plan. Before anything can be built I think we will have to resort to taking the carcasses out to sea."

Dr. Hartigan said that the place where these carcasses were being buried was getting in close proximity to the new infectious hospital, and that was one reason why he wanted the crematorium to be placed.

Dr. Clark thought the attention of the Government should be directed to the urgency of this matter. The waste land in the neighbourhood of the Cattle Depots had for years past been used for dumping dead cattle and dead pigs, with the result that the soil was saturated with decomposing animals and was most offensive to the smell. On his suggestion a week or two ago the Sanitary Surveyor visited the spot and marked out an additional site for the incineration of these carcasses, but he told him that the site was within the recollection of the Board that in June, 1899, the Board recommended the erection of a refuse-destructor at Kennedytown and that it should be used also for the destruction of these dead carcasses. It was used as an argument by Mr. Ladds for destroying these carcasses by fire instead of burning them that as soon as these carcasses were interred they were sometimes dug up by coolies, who sold them to shops. When some two months ago the Government replied to the Board saying they were not prepared to proceed with the erection of a refuse-destructor the Government put one up to the destruction of these dead carcasses alone. Since then he had made enquiries and had found that it would be extremely expensive to have a destructor for the destruction of carcasses of animals alone. In 1896 it cost them over \$150 to destroy the carcass of one cow which died of rinderpest. That was possibly more than it would have cost them if they had had a refuse-destructor, but he did not think it would cost much less than \$40 to \$50 to destroy a carcass in one of these cattle depots. Under these circumstances he begged to urge that the Board agree to direct the erection of the Government to the urgent necessity for a refuse-destructor at Kennedytown, so that they would be able to destroy the carcasses of animals in addition to dealing with the refuse of the city. In the letter covering that resolution the Secretary might point out that it would be more economical to do this than to erect a destructor for animals alone.

Mr. ORMSBY seconded.  
The Hon. F. H. MAY said that this matter of a refuse-destructor was one of the sins of omission which had just been laid down by the Government. It had been many times before the Government. As a matter of fact he happened to know that the stumbling block was the unofficial members of the Council. It had been before the Public Works Committee more than once, and it had been invariably thrown out by the committee, and he believed that the reason was that this refuse-destructor which they had recommended from time to time was not put forward as a refuse-destructor for the whole of the city but only as an experiment by the Public Works Committee. They thought that if this one succeeded there would be various other refuse-destructors wanted and they might be landed into very heavy expense. He believed that that was the difficulty. He thought that instead of passing the resolution of the Medical Officer of Health it would be a good thing to appoint a sub-committee of the Board to go into the question de novo and ascertain, supposing the refuse-destructors were a success, how many refuse-destructors would be required and what would be the total expense. It was possible they would find that they did not want as many destructors as some people thought. He was in favour of a refuse destructor. He thought their present system was a slovenly one—carrying the refuse out to sea and letting some of it drop over the side of the boat into the harbour.

Dr. Clark said that this question of experiment had been raised before. He had previously pointed out that the only reason why it was necessary to experiment was that it was absolutely necessary in every city to ascertain how many cells were required to destroy the refuse of the city. That of course was by the way of the varied character of the refuse. In England there was a large quantity of cinders; in India the refuse was totally different than the refuse in this city. Personally he did not see any use of appointing a committee to investigate the question. They had an excellent report on the question by Mr. Crook, the late Surveyor, who recommended six cells.

Mr. ORMSBY, in seconding, said that he thought two destructors at the most would be all which would be required.

The President said that before putting this matter to the Board he might say that this matter had been before the Public Works Committee more than once. In defence of the unofficial members he must say that they were not responsible alone for throwing it out. He as chairman of the Public Works Committee was very uncertain indeed with regard to these refuse destructors. They had been a success in some places and a failure in others. They had collected an enormous mass of correspondence on the subject from India, Singapore, and elsewhere, and this was waiting to go before the Public Works Committee again when he got a reply from Bombay. With regard to what seemed to be the most useful and economical destructor to put up as an experiment he must say that Mr. Crook's proposal seemed to him to be a very costly experiment indeed. Mr. Crook proposed that they should spend \$80,000 to put a destructor at Kennedytown, which would only deal with one-third of the refuse of the City. He did not mean to say it would cost three times that amount to deal with the whole of the refuse of the city, but Mr. Crook himself told the Public Works Committee that it would cost double that sum to deal with the total refuse of the city. He thought it would be a good thing to dump the refuse on to the barren territory on the other side of the harbour.

Dr. Clark said that in view of the President's explanation he was prepared to withdraw his resolution. He merely wanted to ventilate the subject.  
The motion was accordingly withdrawn.

Dr. HARTIGAN asked if any prosecutions had been instituted lately against persons for neglecting lime-washing.  
Dr. Clark said:—"Yes. To some extent they had been in abeyance because the lime-washing inspector had been in hospital."

THE HEALTH OF THE COLONY.  
The death rate for the colony for the week ended Nov. 17th was 28.3, against 25.8 for the previous week and 23 for the corresponding week last year. The death rate for the following week was 40.2, against 17.0 for the corresponding week last year.

DEATHS IN MACAO.  
The deaths in Macao for the week ended Nov. 18th numbered 47, and for the following week numbered 50.

This was all the business.

## SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 6th December.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR JOHN CARRINGTON, C.M.G. (CHIEF JUSTICE).

CHAN HUNG TONG V. POON HUNG, SUED FOR ANTI-TRUST BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND ALL OTHERS THE PARTNERS IN THE YU TSUNG SHING FIRM.

This is a claim for \$1,970.40, money lent and interest thereon.  
Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. H. E. Pollock, Q.C. (instructed by Messrs. Deacon and Hastings), for the defendants.

The hearing of the evidence for the defence was continued, and the hearing was further adjourned.

## POLICE COURT.

Thursday, 6th December.

BEFORE MR. KEMP.

THEFT AT BENGAL LANCERS' CAMP.  
A coolie was charged with stealing two pieces of brass and one frying-pan from the camp of the 1st Bengal Lancers. He denied the accusation.

A Lancer accused that he saw the defendant enter a tent and come out with the stolen articles in his hand. Witness, who was in his tent at the adjoining one—at the time, called out to another man to catch the thief, and defendant was arrested.

Defendant stated that he was passing quietly along when the last witness and another man caught hold of him and nearly killed him. They then charged him with stealing the articles, which they forced into his hand.

He retires from the public view for 14 days.

DOMESTIC TROUBLES.  
Ng Man Cheung, coolie, Lo Su, fireman, and a woman named Lai Yut, were charged on a warrant issued by an Indian constable with behaving in a noisy and disorderly manner in the public street.

Third defendant, it appeared, is the sweetheart of the first defendant. Second defendant, like the proverbial fair friend, made love to Lai Yut during Ng's absence. The latter, returning unexpectedly, found the amorous pair billing and cooing. This naturally made Ng mad, and he immediately proceeded to attack Lo Su, whom he invited outside for that purpose. Upon this the latter told Lai Yut to go. She then told the other "went for him."

First and second defendants were bound over in personal bonds of \$50 each to keep the peace for six months. Third defendant, who has just been delivered of twins, was discharged.

POCKET-PIKING.  
Pang Tai, a sawyer, pleaded not guilty to frequenting a public place for the purpose of committing a felony.  
P.C. Arie deposed he was on duty on Wednesday night outside the Ko Shing Theatre, when he saw the defendant pick his way in amongst the crowd reading the placard. He turned round to see if witness was watching him, and believing himself unnoticed—witness had hidden himself—inserted his hand in the pocket of one man, who went into the theatre, presumably without discovering his loss. Witness arrested the defendant.

The accused, who said he was merely reading the placard when arrested by the constable, was sent to prison with hard labour for seven days.

STEALING FROM CIVIL HOSPITAL.  
Young Wok, a coolie, indignantly denied having stolen a fowl from the Government Civil Hospital on the 4th inst.

A patient deposed that he saw defendant making off with the chicken, which he carried in a basket.

Defendant, who said he was under the impression that the basket contained feathers only, which he was taking to the dust-bin, was sentenced to 14 days' hard labour.

MORE UNWIT VIOLENCE.  
Inspector Duncan brought another hawk on to-day on the above charge. The defendant was fined \$15 or one month's hard labour.

BEFORE MR. HAZELAND.  
DEFENDANT THE POST OFFICE.  
Chai Ling pleaded not guilty to a charge of attempting to convey letters other than through the Post Office.

He was convicted on the evidence of Lance-Sergeant Torretto, who arrested the defendant on board the launch *Perseverance*, bound for Macao.

His Worship imposed a penalty of \$100, with the option of one month's hard labour.

## PEKING AND TIENTSIN NEWS.

The following items are from the P. & T. Times of the 24th ult.:—  
River traffic with Tung Chow has been suspended.

The Medical College here is endeavouring to re-open, and get fresh members to supply the place of those who have left.

Yu Cho-yuen, President of one of the Boards, has reached Nanking, and handed Viceroys Liu a special Edict from the Court.

Auctions of furs, silks and curios are held twice a week now in the Lyceum Theatre by Messrs. Denny and Moller, and continue to attract crowds.

The *Chih Pao* states that the newly organised Board of Revenue in Peking received Tls. 600,000 on the 11th through the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from the South.

The British Authorities are reported to have discovered three Hunan officials who were known to have enlisted Boxers, Governor Yio, a Brigadier-General and another.

From private sources we learn there are numbers of Boxers secretly practicing their arts in the City, and that the gentry dare not report them for fear of being assassinated.

We hear that the Peking line, which may be completed in about a month's time, will be run through the wall into Chinese City with a terminus near the Temple of Heaven. Good!

Capt. Wingate, accompanying a survey and reconnaissance party comprising detachments of the 16th Bengal Lancers and 24th Punjab Infantry, left Peking on the 12th instant, taking one month's rations.

The *Chih Pao* states that fifteen petty officials of the Court signified their willingness to accompany the Emperor back to Peking, but the twofold hearing of the plot had them seized and beaten to death.

The Chinese gentry in the Nanyang City are considering some new methods of dealing with fires that occur in the City, and of summoning the firemen, as they are afraid to practice the former custom of calling the firemen together by beating gongs, lest it create disturbance with the foreign troops.

Chen Shu-ping, a Military official who surrendered to the Allies when Tientsin City was taken, and undertook to trace out Boxers for the Provisional Government, is said by the *Chih Pao* to be chiefly occupied in squandering his own interests, and is making a good thing out of any Chinese he can terrify into giving him money.

A telegram was received at British headquarters here to the effect that the messenger from Taiyuanfu had been sent to Pao-tsing to report the arrival in the former place of five or six English and Swedish Missionaries who were believed to be dead. They had taken refuge in the mountains, and had been discovered and brought back by the Prefect of Taiyuanfu who is now anxious to escort them to the coast.

The name of only one missionary is given, Graham McKie. The Military Authorities at once notified the British Consul and the C.I.M. The French Consul-General issued an express on Thursday to the effect that the French Concession has been extended from the present dividing line of the British and French concessions to the mud-wall, and thence to the boundary line of the Japanese Concession and river at Machiaki, including all the territory and properties within these lines. The notice nullifies all contracts made since the 17th June, and invalidates all holders of title-deeds prior to that date to take their documents to the French Consulate to have them registered. We anticipate that some discussion will ensue in consequence of this abrupt announcement.

Mr. Pyke who has just returned from Peitaiho, confirms the previous reports of the destruction at that place. All the sheet iron and timber of the roofs, and every scrap of wood has been carried away or burnt. The dressed stones except those in the walls at the floor line, have also been hauled away. All the houses are very much alike and it would make a Peitaihoite sick at heart to see the roofless, broken walls of their former beautiful cottages.

All the testimony gathered during two days' stay in the neighbourhood, confirms the reports that the villagers, tradesmen and gentry in the immediate vicinity did the looting and burning. The work of destruction began within two hours of the withdrawal of the guard and ended June 25th. There were neither Boxers nor troops to speak of, the people alone being guilty, and they should be made to suffer severely.

THE TYPHOON AT GUAM.

THE LOSS OF THE "YOSEMITE."  
Further particulars as to the recent destructive typhoon at Guam, and the loss of the U. S. S. *Yosemite*, are given in the *Manilla Times* of Saturday last. That journal says that Guam was devastated on November 18th by the fiercest typhoon that had struck its shores within the memory of man. Houses were wrecked, the crops were ruined, and unless relief is at once sent the people will die of starvation. There were several vessels in the harbour, among them the cruiser *Yosemite* and the *Justin*.

The cruiser *Yosemite* was dashed twice upon the reef, then blown 100 miles out to sea, where she was abandoned and scuttled on the 15th ult. The navy collier *Justin* which had been in the harbour and miraculously escaped destruction, took off the officers and crew of the cruiser. During the early part of the storm five members of the *Yosemite's* crew were ordered to find shelter for the ship's launch in the lee of Caban Island. The launch was capsized and all hands lost.

The storm came up suddenly at 8 a.m. The *Yosemite* was lying in the harbour with her fires banked and two anchors down. The direction of the wind was north-east until 1 p.m. when it suddenly shifted to south by east, and attained a velocity of 107 miles per hour. The barometer went down to 27.40 during the height of the storm. Before the *Yosemite* could get up steam she was dragging her anchor and drifting about a mile across the harbour. About 11 a.m. she struck on the South reef and knocked a hole in her forward compartment. She then drifted half a mile west, and brought up an hour later against a cliff near Samay, carrying away her rudder post and greatly damaging her propeller. About 1 p.m. there was a sudden calm for a few minutes, and then the wind blew with increased violence from the south-west. During the interim a volunteer crew of twelve attempted to take a life-line ashore. Their boat was stove in and capsized and the crew thrown into the surf. After battling for an hour and a half on the slippery coral every member of the boat's crew reached the beach in safety. During this time the *Yosemite* was blown off shore and drifted away in the darkness. The cruiser was entirely helpless, the forward 80 foot compartment being full of water so that she was well down by the head. The engine-room was fortunately watertight, so that it was possible to keep all the pumps going.

When the storm cleared, about 6 p.m., the *Yosemite* was found to be miles north and west of the island. That night and all of the following day she was kept aloft through the united efforts of officers and crew.

About 1.44 p.m. on the 15th the *Justin* was sighted and was soon alongside. After several attempts to tow the disabled cruiser, during which two chains and two Manila cables were parted, Lieut. Brown decided to abandon her. By 7 o'clock in the evening the 138 members of the crew, 26 marines and 9 officers were aboard the *Justin*.

Lieutenant Brown decided it would be best to scuttle the vessel before abandoning her. Chief Engineer Nichols of the *Justin* volunteered to go down into the *Yosemite's* engine-room and open the stop-cock. This was hastily done and the cruiser was left to her fate. About 3 p.m. on the 15th the *Yosemite's* stern tilted high in the air, and she went down bow first, her stern bursting open as she disappeared.

The *Justin* had a miraculous escape from destruction. Chief Engineer Nichols succeeded in getting up steam in wonderfully short order, despite the fact that he was totally unprepared. The *Justin's* anchors dragged. When the wind changed and it cleared for a few minutes, Captain Scott found that his vessel was but 100 yards from the cliff where the *Yosemite* was battering her life out. Fortunately his anchors held and the change of wind drove the *Justin* into deeper water, where she managed to ride out the gale.

The *Yosemite* was formerly the *El Sud* of the Morgan line. She was pressed into service as an auxiliary cruiser at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war and afterwards retained as a valuable addition to the navy.

The *Yosemite* was to have been transferred to Cavite in the near future and was to have been the flagship of the fleet there. She was valued at \$1,000,000.

The warehouse of the Western Commercial Company store was blown down. The loss will be about \$30,000. About six months ago the same Company sustained a loss of \$12,000 through a typhoon. The natives say that the storm of the 13th was the greatest in the memory of the oldest inhabitant.

None can estimate the damage sustained by property in general, says our Manila contemporary. Not a house of any pretensions remains standing, and the crops are a total loss. Scarcely a vestige of grove remains on the island. As crops are the only export the natives will have no income for years to come.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENT.  
The N. Y. K. steamer *Hiroshima Maru* left Suva on Wednesday, the 5th inst., at 4 p.m., and is due to arrive here on the 10th instant.

EXPORT CARGO.  
Ter P. & O. steamer *Coromandel*, sailed on 24th November. For Manchester—2 cases blackwoodware. For Glasgow—2 boxes helmets, &c. For London—35 bales raw silk, 25 pigs, tea

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## OWNERS WANTED.

**FOUND**, on Lamma Island, TWO LOGS of TEAKWOOD, one 18 feet long by 16 inches square, other 26 feet long by 16 inches square. Owners apply to the undersigned.

F. H. MAY,  
Captain Superintendent of Police,  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1900. [3089]

**THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING & DYING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 4, Pedder Street, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd December, at 12 o'clock noon, when the subject of the Resolution will be proposed. Should the resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

## RESOLUTION.

That the following Section be substituted for Section 2 of Article XVI, namely:-

"2.-The General Managers may from time to time advance and lend for the purposes of the Company such monies as they may think necessary or desirable, at such rate of interest, and on such terms as they may think fit, but so that the total amount for the time being advanced and lent shall not at any one time exceed the sum of Two Millions of Dollars. All advances and loans which up to the date hereof have been made by the General Managers for the purposes of the Company are hereby agreed to and confirmed, and shall be deemed to be, and shall be part of, and included in the said sum of Two Millions of Dollars, and as security for the said sum of Two Millions of Dollars and every part thereof the General Managers may from time to time mortgage or charge all or any of the Company's Property, Lands, Stock-in-trade, Machinery, Goods, Chattels and Effects."

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1900. [3088]

## THE PHILIPPINE TRADING CO. LIMITED.

FOR ILOILO AND CEBU.

**THE** Company's Steamship

"PAX,"

Captain Damorst, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 7th instant, at Noon, instead of as previously notified.

For Freight, apply to

MELOCHERS & CO.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 6th December, 1900. [3086]

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR HAIPHONG.

**THE** Company's Steamship

"HALOONG,"

Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARPAK & CO.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 6th December, 1900. [3085]

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND POOCHOW.

**THE** Company's Steamship

"THALES,"

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 8th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARPAK & CO.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 6th December, 1900. [3087]

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

**THE** Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"

Captain Rolfe, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 13th inst., at 4 P.M.

This steamer has superior accommodation for First class Passengers, is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1900. [3090]

## THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS will be ready to-morrow and will contain:-

Leading Articles:

The Crisis in China.

The Case of King Lian-shan.

The Black Pier.

What the Trans-Siberian Railway has done.

The Crisis: Telegrams.

Sanitary Board.

The Crisis in China.

St. Andrew's Ball.

Public Meeting on the Relief of Typhoon-Sufferers.

Fire in Queen's Road Central.

Daring Escape from American Transport "Grant."

Lady Blake at the Woman's Conference, Shanghai.

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Hongkong, 7th December, 1900.

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Messrs. LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.  
Hongkong, 5th December, 1900. [3069]

## AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**THE** Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 8th day of December, 1900, at 2.30 P.M., A VALUABLE COLLECTION OF OLD AND RARE POSTAGE STAMPS. Catalogues can be had and Stamps on view at the Auction Room from To-day, at Noon. Terms:-As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 6th December, 1900. [3078]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**THE** Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 8th day of December, 1900, at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, No. 8a, Queen's Road Central, SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANOS, &c.

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One BICYCLE.

&c. &c. &c.

TERMS OF SALE:-As Customary.

V. I. REMEDIOS,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 6th November, 1900. [3077]

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 649.

**THE** following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 10th day of DECEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,  
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary.

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 10th day of DECEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Hung Hom, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the Queen for one further term of 75 Years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Particulars and Conditions of the Let  
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Public Works Department, by Order of  
Excellency the Governor, of One Lot  
Crown Land at Hung Hom, Kowloon  
in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term  
of Years, with the option of renewal at a  
Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of  
Majesty the QUEEN for one further  
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## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 664.

**THE** following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 10th day of DECEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.


By Command,  
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary.

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 10th day of DECEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Ma-Tau-Wai, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the Queen for one further term of 75 Years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
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1	Kowloon Island	Lot No. 1,115	50' 50' 150' 150'	1,800	14 50

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**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION**  
No. 864.

**THE** following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CHOW LAN PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office of the Public Works Department on **MONDAY, the 10th day of DECEMBER,**

## PUBLIC COMPANY.

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO. LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**AN** INTERIM DIVIDEND on account of the year 1900, at the Rate of Fifty Cents per Share (or Five per cent on the Capital of the Company) will be PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, on and after the 23rd instant, on Warrants to be obtained from the undersigned.

Local Shareholders are requested to apply at the Company's Office for their Warrants.

The DIVIDEND will also be Payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, on presentation of Warrants there, on and after the same date.

The REGISTER OF SHARES will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant until FRIDAY, the 30th instant, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order-

A. H. MANCCELL,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 9th November, 1900. [3048]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

**SHAREHOLDERS**, who have not yet PAID the Call of \$3 per Share on the New Issue of Shares, due on 1st instant, are hereby reminded that same should be paid forthwith and sent in to the Company's Office for endorsement, and notice is hereby given that, in accordance with the provisions of the Company's Articles of Association, interest at the rate of 12 per cent per Annum from 1st inst. till date of payment will be charged on all such calls outstanding after this date.

By Order,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 15th November, 1900. [2988]

## TEBBEAU PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

**IN** accordance with Article No. VIII. Paragraph 3 of the Articles of Association of the Company, Interest at the rate of 10 per cent per Annum is being charged on all Unpaid Calls.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 8th November, 1900. [2989]

## THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 9, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 8th day of December, 1900, at Noon, for the purpose of Considering and, if thought fit, Passing the A or B Resolutions following:-

RESOLUTIONS:-

1.-That the Capital of the Company be increased by the creation and issue of 60,000 New Ordinary Shares of \$10 each, with the sum of \$8 paid up on each, and that the Directors be empowered and authorised to accept surrenders of the present 60,000 Ordinary Shares of the Company of \$8 each on which the sum of \$8 each has been paid up, and that one New Share of \$10, with the sum of \$8 paid up thereon, be given in lieu of and in exchange for each old share of \$8 fully paid up, and that thereupon the said old shares be cancelled.

2.-That of the remaining \$2 payable in respect of each of the New Shares, the sum of \$1 be paid on the surrender of the old share, and that the residue be (if necessary) called up and paid at such times and in such instalments as the Board may determine.

RESOLUTIONS B.

1.-That the Capital of the Company be increased by the creation and issue of 60,000 New Ordinary Shares of \$12 each, with the sum of \$8 paid up on each, and that the Directors be empowered and authorised to accept surrenders of the present 60,000 Ordinary Shares of the Company of \$8 each on which the sum of \$8 each has been paid up, and that one New Share of \$12, with the sum of \$8 paid up thereon be given in lieu of and in exchange for each old share of \$8 fully paid up, and that thereupon the said old shares be cancelled.

2.-That of the remaining \$4 payable in respect of each of the New Shares the sum of \$1 be paid on the surrender of the Old Shares and that the residue be (if necessary) called up and paid at such times and in such instalments as the Board may determine.

Should either of the above Resolutions be passed by the requisite majority they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
W. H. GASKELL,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [2975]

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO. LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 20th day of December, 1900, at TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON, when the subjoined Resolution, which was passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 4th December, 1900, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

RESOLUTION:-

"That the Regulations approved by this meeting and for the purposes of identification subscribed by the General Managers be and the same are hereby approved. And that such regulations be and they are hereby adopted as the Regulations of the Company to the exclusion of all existing Regulations thereof."

By Order,  
A. H. MANCCELL,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 5th December, 1900. [3070]

## THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the "Star" Ferry Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Office on the 28th December, 1900, at 12.15 P.M.

1.-To consider and if thought fit approve the draft New Regulations which will be submitted to the Meeting and in the event of the approval thereof with or without modifications or alterations.

2.-To consider and if thought fit to pass a Resolution to the effect "that the New Regulations already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby approved and that such Regulations be and the same are hereby adopted as the Regulations of the Company to the exclusion of all the existing Regulations thereof."

A Copy of the proposed New Regulations may be seen at the Company's Office.

Should the above Resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

By Order of the Board,  
EDWARD OSBORNE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 5th December, 1900. [3071]

## NOTICE.

**I** HAVE This Day REMOVED my Office to 1st floor, No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD.

FRED. BORNEMANN.  
Hongkong, 1st December, 1900. [3022]

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F. KIENE,  
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Hongkong, 26th November, 1900. [2972]

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J. Y. VERNON,  
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Hongkong, 8th June, 1896. [1774]

## THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.

INCORPORATED 1851.

CAPITAL.....£410,000.

**THE** Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

Wm. MEYERINK & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 18th May, 1900. 1512

## "L'UNION"

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LD.

(Established 1828).

**THE** Undersigned, having been appointed GENERAL AGENT for the above Company, is prepared to ACCEPT RISKS at current rates.

Claims settled direct without reference to the Head Office.

A. R. MARTY,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 1st August, 1900. 1794

## SALAMANDER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

**THE** Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

HOTZ, JACOB & CO.  
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900. [1023]

## TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

**THE** Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [24]

## PHENIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LARPAK & CO.,  
Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office.  
Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [27]

## NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS at 31st DECEMBER, 1899

£1,409,088.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£3,000,000 0 0

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....2,750,000 0 0

PAY-UP CAPITAL.....687,500 0 0

II. FREE FUNDS.....2,731,183 13 7

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 22nd June, 1900. [1872]

## NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are PREPARED to ACCEPT FIRE and Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 29th May, 1895. [32]

## SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON

FOUNDED 1710.

The Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [52]

## AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LE-CHAPPEL.

**THE** Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

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**HONGKONG, 10th November, 1900. [2861]**

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Terms Moderate.

**SARKIES BROTHERS,**  
Proprietors.  
Hongkong, 16th August 1900. [221]

## SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

**RARE AUSTRALIAN WOODS—MINING LIMITS—  
FANTASY—MIGRATION—SCIENCE OF  
CAVES—VEGETATION OF LIQUID CRYSTALS—AIR  
POWER FOR PARIS—OILS FOR MACHINERY—  
ONE OF THE DYING RACES—DYING  
BY OZONE—ALCOHOL ILLUMINATION.**

The timber preserves of the Queensland  
Government now embrace 135,323 acres, and  
are likely to be greatly extended. While the  
chief foreign demand for the hard woods seems  
to be for paving, there are little known timbers  
whose rich colours, fine grain and quality of  
taking a high polish admirably adapt them for  
cabinet-work. Among these attention has been  
called to: the cockspear thorn (Cudrania Javan-  
ensis), whose wood is of a rich dark yellow  
colour; the Eleodendron Australe, with a  
pinkish or flesh-coloured wood; the black brig-  
low, which splits well and when old resembles  
ebony; and a forest oak of Laidley Creek, which  
is very red and is given a unique appearance  
by its beautiful markings. Some fine woods—  
like a so-called rosewood of the Laidley district  
—are being used up for workmen's huts and  
other common purposes.

A question that seems yet unsolved is the fix-  
ing of the greatest depth at which mining is  
possible. The rate of temperature increase  
downward is very irregular and the Govern-  
ment Geologist of Victoria points out that  
while the assigned rate of 1 deg. Fahr. for each  
60 feet at Bendigo would give a temperature of  
125 deg. at the 3,500 foot level, this is not really  
observed. It has been even suggested that, if  
hardage could be provided, mining might be  
carried on at 10,000 feet. To this it is replied,  
however, that the weight of the air alone would  
heat the air leaving the surface at 69 deg. up  
to 90 deg., and the pressure would make ven-  
tilation impracticable. With the increase of  
rock heat of 1 deg. for every 135 feet, as actu-  
ally found at Bendigo, the limit for mining might  
safely be placed at 4,000—or possibly 5,000—  
feet.

It is noticed that earthworms are being  
gradually distributed in new places in the roots  
of transported plants. These worms seldom  
get beyond the greenhouses, but two species—  
one from Brazil—are found to have become ac-  
climated in the soil of Kew Gardens, and a  
number of European worms now live in Ameri-  
can soil.

The caves of the earth, as well as the abysses  
of the ocean, are beginning to give up their  
secrets. Through the efforts of the French  
Society of Speleology, founded about five years  
ago, our knowledge of subterranean regions has  
been greatly extended, and the science of caverns  
forms the subject of a new book by E. A. Martel,  
general secretary of the Society, and one of the  
most famous of cave-explorers. The chief causes  
of caverns are volcanic or earthquake fracture  
and the action of acid-charged water through  
erosion, corrosion and hydrostatic pressure. An  
interesting feature of caverns is found in the  
"abimes," or deep pits, whose origin has been a  
source of much disagreement, but which in  
many cases seems clearly to have been outside  
action working downward from the surface.  
Some of the "abimes" of limestone plateaus  
drop vertically 200 to 600 feet, then expand  
into vast chambers. Many of these pits have  
been measured to a depth of 600 feet, and the  
deepest of all, discovered by David Martin  
at a height of 500 feet in the Hautes  
Alpes, has been descended more than 1,000  
feet vertically, its total depth being estimated  
to be 1,600 feet. Many caves are natural ice-  
houses. Many yield relics of prehistoric dwel-  
lers in them, a few are still inhabited, and  
subterranean regions have their own fauna and  
flora, and a diversified store of minerals.

The "liquid crystals" with which O. Lehmann  
so startled the world a few years ago have now  
been proved to lack no quality that can be  
logically made part of the definition of a crystal.  
The only general characteristics of crystals are  
that they are not isotropic, and they possess a  
molecular directive force that governs their  
shape and the deposition of their particles.  
The directive force is preserved by surface ten-  
sion, so that crystals may be liquid or solid but  
not gaseous. Liquid crystals may be produced  
by depositing solid crystals from a mother liquor  
on the cover glass of a microscope and gently  
heating them above the fusing point.

Compressed air for the new cars of the Paris  
Omnibus Company is stored in the main receivers  
at a pressure of 1,400 pounds per square  
inch, and it is distributed to the charging sta-  
tions through 2 to 4 inch steel pipes. The eight  
receivers on each car are charged in three  
minutes with 88.27 cubic feet at 1,137 pounds  
pressure, giving a run of 7 1/4 miles or more.

Lubricants should be chosen with regard to  
their effect upon the metal. From a German  
summary of experiments, it appears that iron  
is most acted upon by tallow oil, least by seal  
oil, and not at all by rape-seed oil. Tin suffers  
most from whale oil, is least attacked by olive  
oil, and is not attacked at all by rape-seed oil.  
Lard oil has nearly as great effect as sperm oil.  
Zinc is most acted upon by sperm oil, least by  
lard oil, and seems to resist completely mineral  
lubricating oil. Upon copper tallow oil has

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it. But that thumping, racking Head-ache!  
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most action, and sperm oil the least. Mineral  
lubricating oil attacks lead most, being without  
effect upon tin and copper.

The Ainu race, which once occupied the  
entire island of Yezo, is estimated to have become  
reduced to about 16,000 individuals. Their com-  
plete absorption by the Japanese is now a mat-  
ter of but a few years. These curious people  
are the hairiest in the world, they sometimes  
live in caves, and their skeletons show many of  
the peculiarities of the prehistoric cave men of  
Europe. They are extremely filthy; and are  
addicted to drunkenness.

A valuable property of ozone is utilized by  
Carl Hoch by ozonizing purified air in a special  
clay apparatus, and conducting the product by a  
pipe through a lacquering oven. Lacquers  
become quickly dry and hard at 30 to 35 deg.  
C, that usually require 300 degs. This process  
is especially suitable for articles of soldered  
metal, and also for leather, wool and rubber.

Alcohol from potatoes, unlike the ordinary  
product, burns without leaving a sticky deposit,  
and is being used for lighting in France and  
Germany. The very hot flame gives very satis-  
factory incandescence to the Welsbach mantle.  
The lamps, resembling those used for oil, burn  
24 hours and yield a 70 candle-power light with  
a consumption of a fifth of a pint.

The finger nails are broadened by use. A  
study by P. A. Minckoff has shown that the nails  
of the right hand are usually from 1/50 to 1/12 of  
an inch wider than those of the left hand, the  
reverse being true in left-handed persons, while  
in the ambidextrous there is no difference.

## I TELL YOU THE SECRET.

Only one thing keeps me in England during  
the winter—the lack of money to get away. As it  
is I stay (in London at that) and, at odd hours,  
dream of sunnier climes. But, so far, I have  
escaped the influenza—a disagreeable and a dan-  
gerous disorder—the friends of doctors, under-  
standers, and grave-diggers. There is plenty of  
it abroad now, and likely to be more before the  
grass is green again.

What do I do to stave off influenza, or, as the  
Americans call it, the "grip"? Be good enough  
to listen to Mrs. Annie Stone for a minute, and  
then I'll tell you. She lives in Chapel Street,  
Kilburn, near Derby, and her letter is dated  
about a year ago.

"At Epsom, 1893," she goes on to say, "I had  
a bad attack of influenza. After it went away it  
left me very weak and low. Do what I would my  
strength did not come back. I was just able to  
crawl about, and that was all. I sat at table and  
looked at the food, but had no relish or longing  
for it. Because every time I ate anything like a  
meal it gave me terrible pain at the chest and  
sides and in the upper part of the back.

"Then there was the heart trouble, too. I  
had spells of palpitation so bad that they kept  
me awake of nights and left me to begin the  
day more tired and exhausted than a well per-  
son is after many hours of hard work.

"For over four years I suffered in this way,  
seeing doctors and taking medicines, until I was  
weary of trying to get cured. By good luck—  
which it might be better to call a merciful Provi-  
dence—I then read about what Mother Seigel's  
Syrup had done for others in my condition, and  
bought a bottle at the Ripley Co-operative  
Stores, Kilburn Branch, and commenced taking it.

"I began to improve right away. My appe-  
tite seemed to rouse up. I ate freely, and the  
food digested and caused me no pain. In a few  
weeks more of using the Syrup, the complaint  
and ailments were all gone, and I found myself  
strong and well as ever. I take a dose now and  
then as a preventive, which I think a good  
plan, and enjoy perfect health. It gives me  
pleasure to speak of Mother Seigel's Syrup as  
the best and surest remedy I ever met with or  
heard of.

"Now a word about the influenza. It is a germ  
disease, which attacks almost invariably those  
who are already weak and low with indigestion  
or dyspepsia, and troubled with (consequently)  
impure blood. Mrs. Stone was previously in  
this state, or the influenza would never have  
knocked at her door.

It may sound a queer thing to say, but diseases  
attack only those who are already ill. Yet it is  
so.

As for me I keep my stomach right, my bowels  
open, and my blood pure by a daily dose of  
"Mother Seigel," and snap my fingers at every-  
thing—the London fogs included. [55]

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M. FUJISE,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 19th August, 1899. [2786]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.  
No. 1187.

**TENDERS** with Detailed Specifications will  
be received at the Colonial Secretary's  
Office up to Noon of FRIDAY, the 1st Fe-  
bruary, 1901, for the Construction and Supply  
of TWO WOODEN or COMPOSITE  
STEAM FERRY BOATS for the JOHORE  
STRAITS. (See Admiralty Chart No. 2403.)  
Length 80 feet over all.  
Breadth not less than 17 feet.  
Maximum draft 7 feet.

The vessels to be of sufficient stability to  
carry passengers on a shade deck about one half  
of their length.

To be driven by single or twin screw engines  
at a speed of 34 knots on the measured mile. If  
impossible to build the frames and scantlings  
throughout to be accessible for painting and  
preservation from corrosion. Coaling to be dis-  
posed with as far as possible, what coaling  
there is to be of hard wood. The outside plank-  
ing to be of tank of substantial thickness.  
If of wood to be built of Java teak or Panaga  
crooks for frames, &c. with teak planking and  
hard wood coaling.

The boats to be sheathed to wall above the  
water line with 18 oz. yellow metal.

Tender must state the price—1st with fit-  
tings to burn liquid fuel, carrying a sufficient  
supply to steam about 500 knots;—2nd with fit-  
tings for burning wood fuel—3rd with fittings  
which can be altered for burning liquid or wood  
fuel as found expedient.

The boats must be built for and fitted with  
towing hooks and other fittings and gear for  
towing a 40 ton tongkang.  
One short mast forward for light and signal-  
ing and a teak wood dinghy to be supplied with  
each vessel.

First Class and Native passenger accommo-  
dation to be separate. Space for baggage to be  
provided below.

Any other information can be obtained  
from the Master Attendant, Singapore.  
Tenders to state the date on which the boats  
can be completed and delivered in Singapore.  
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cept the lowest or any tender.

Colonial Secretary's office,  
Singapore, 22nd October, 1900. [2814]

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1900. [1]

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Hongkong, 3rd November, 1900. [15]

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Hongkong, 22nd November, 1900. [2953]

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1900. [3082]

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1900. [2954]

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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1900. [3045]

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tined to points beyond San Diego, should be  
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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1900. [7]

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THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1900. [3044]

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Captain S. Atsumi, will be despatched for the  
above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 12th  
December, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1900. [1443]

**GLEN LINE OF STEAMERS.**

FOR NEW YORK.

THE Company's Steamship

**"GLENARTNEY."**

Captain E. G. Warner, will be despatched for the  
above port on WEDNESDAY, the 12th  
December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st November, 1900. [2940]

**EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM  
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN AND  
QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through  
Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,  
TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

**"AIBLIE."**

Captain St. John George, will be despatched for  
the above ports on FRIDAY, the 14th Decem-  
ber, at DAYLIGHT.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted  
for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Cham-  
ber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provi-  
sions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with  
the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon  
are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Com-  
pany to and from Australia are available for  
return by the steamers of the China Navigation  
Company and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st November, 1900. [2948]

**NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.**

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS  
in CHINA AND JAPAN for the above Line  
are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS  
OF LADING for all the principal ports in  
SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-  
CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly  
service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from  
CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.  
For Freight and further particulars,  
apply to  
**DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,**  
General Agents for China and Japan.  
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [3045]

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS  
TO JAPAN, THE UNITED  
STATES,  
MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH  
AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE  
OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND  
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING  
STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND  
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
GABRIEL (via Shanghai, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama, and  
Honolulu) ..... TUESDAY, Dec. 11,  
at Noon.

DESEO (via Shanghai, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama, and  
Honolulu) ..... SATURDAY, Jan. 5,  
at Noon.

CORTIC (via Shanghai, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama, and  
Honolulu) ..... TUESDAY, Jan. 23,  
1901, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship "CAELIC"  
will be despatched for SAN FRAN-  
CISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI,  
KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and  
HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 11th  
December, 1900, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-  
LAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONO-  
LULU and passengers are allowed to break  
their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to Eng-  
land, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic  
lines of Steamers and to the principal cities of  
the United States or Canada. Rates and particu-  
lars of the various Routes may be obtained  
upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to  
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,  
Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European  
officials in service of China and Japan, and to  
Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embark-  
ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or  
vice versa) within one year, will be allowed dis-  
count of 10 per cent. This allowance does not  
apply to through fares from China and Japan to  
Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to  
address in full, and same will be received at the  
Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day pre-  
vious to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-  
tined to points beyond San Francisco in the  
United States should be sent to the Company's  
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,  
San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or  
Passage apply to the Agency of the Company,  
Queen's Building.

**J. S. VAN BUREN,**  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 19th November, 1900. [14]

**TOYO KISEN KAISHA.**

TOSAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA  
OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
HONGKONG MARU (via  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama, and  
Honolulu) ..... TUESDAY, Dec. 18,  
1900, at Noon.

NIPOON MARU (via  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama, and  
Honolulu) ..... SATURDAY, Jan. 12,  
1901, at Noon.

AMERICA MARU (via  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama, and  
Honolulu) ..... THURSDAY, Feb. 7,  
1901, at Noon.

THE Twin-Screw Steamship

**"HONGKONG MARU"**

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO  
VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE,  
INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONO-  
LULU on TUESDAY, the 18th December,  
1900, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers  
for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-  
LAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONO-  
LULU, and passengers are allowed to break  
their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to Eng-  
land, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic  
lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of  
the United States or Canada. Rates may be  
obtained upon application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO  
EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail  
routes from San Francisco, including the  
SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC,  
UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE,  
and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the  
CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of  
24 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND  
CITIES in the United States have between  
San Francisco and Chicago, the option of  
the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC,  
UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE,  
and other direct connecting Railways, and from  
Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had  
upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to  
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,  
Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European  
officials in service of China and Japan, and to  
Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-  
portation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports,  
to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities  
of the United States, via Overland Railway, to  
Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports  
in Mexico, Central, and South America, by the  
Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.  
the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages  
will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same  
day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to  
address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-  
tined to points beyond San Francisco in the  
United States should be sent to the Company's  
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the  
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and  
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,  
Queen's Building.

**J. S. VAN BUREN,**  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 26th November, 1900. [5]

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

SHEWAN TOMES &amp; CO'S NEW YORK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Steamship

**"DEVONSHIRE"**  
will be despatched for the above port on or about  
the 29th December, 1900.  
For Freight, apply to  
**SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 9th November, 1900. [235]

**U.S. MAIL LINE.**

**PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.**

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND  
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
CHINA (via Shanghai, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama, and  
Honolulu) ..... THURSDAY, Dec. 27,  
at Noon.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO  
(via Shanghai, Nagasaki, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama, and  
Honolulu) ..... TUESDAY, Jan. 22,  
1901, at Noon.

CITY OF Peking (via  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama, and  
Honolulu) ..... THURS., Feb. 14,  
1901, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship "CHINA"  
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO,  
VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE,  
INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONO-  
LULU on THURSDAY, the 27th December,  
at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-  
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONO-  
LULU, and passengers are allowed to break  
their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to Eng-  
land, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic  
lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of  
the United States or Canada. Rates may be  
obtained upon application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO  
EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail  
routes from San Francisco, including the  
SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC,  
UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE,  
and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the  
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Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

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Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European  
officials in service of China and Japan, and to  
Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-  
portation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports,  
to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities  
of the United States, via Overland Railway, to  
Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports  
in Mexico, Central, and South America, by the  
Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.  
the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages  
will be received at the office until 5 P.M. same  
day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to  
address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-  
tined to points beyond San Francisco in the  
United States should be sent to the Company's  
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the  
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and  
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,  
Queen's Building.

**J. S. VAN BUREN,**  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 5th December, 1900. [3]

**UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN  
STEAMSHIP LINE.**

(Rob. M. SLOAN & Co., HAMBURG.)

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE full-powered Steamship

**"VERONA."**

Captain Hansen, will be despatched for the  
above port on or about 28th December.

For Freight apply to  
**CARLOWITZ & CO.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 8th November, 1900. [2353]

**OREGON AND ORIENTAL  
STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION  
COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM  
HONGKONG TO PORTLAND (OR.)  
AND SAN FRANCISCO,  
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE  
AND YOKOHAMA.

TAKING CARGO TO JAPAN PORTS,  
THE UNITED STATES, AND  
CANADA.

THE Steamship

**"ADATO."**

2,145, Captain J. McIntyre, will be despatched  
on or about 30th Dec. for PORTLAND (OR.)  
VIA MOJOI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point  
in the United States and Canada.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 p.m.  
the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages  
will be accepted at the Office of the Undersigned  
until the same time. All Parcels should be  
marked to address in full.

Value of same is required.  
Consular Invoices, to accompany cargo, should  
be sent to points beyond Portland (Or.), should  
be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to  
the Collector of Customs, Portland (Or.).  
For further information as to Freight rates,  
&c., apply to  
**ARNOLD, KARBURG & CO.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [2985]

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

FOR NEW YORK.

**"E. MORROW"**  
Shortly expected from MANILA, will load here  
for the above port and will have quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
**ARNOLD, KARBURG & CO.,**  
Hongkong, 13th November 1900. [2383

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Bengal*, with the English Mail of the 9th November, left Singapore on Monday, the 3rd inst., at 9 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 9th inst. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 8th October last.

The *Hongkong Mail*, with the American Mail of the 13th ult., left Yokohama on Monday, the 3rd inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 11th inst.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DAY AND HOUR.
Singapore	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Iloilo and Cebu	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Kumchuk and Samshui	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Haiphong	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Sandakan	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Taticorin	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra postage 10 cents)		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Amoy and Manila	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Kumchuk and Samshui	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Kobe, Yokohama, San Diego and San Francisco	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Durban and South Africa	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)		
Europe, &c., India via Taticorin	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
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Manila	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO	Pyrrhus	Friday, 7th, 11.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)		

TO-MORROW.  
Meeting of the Puntong Mining Co., 9, Des Voeux Road, noon.  
Sale, Postage Stamps, Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. Lamont, 2.30 p.m.  
Sale, Furniture, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.	THURSDAY, 6th December.
Telegraphic Transfer	2/11
Bank Bills, on demand	2/11
Bank Bills, at 3 days' sight	2/11
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/11
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/11
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/11
ON PARIS.	
Bank Bills, on demand	2.63
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2.69
ON GERMANY.	
On demand	2.14
ON NEW YORK.	
Bank Bills, on demand	51
Credits, 60 days' sight	52
ON HAMBURG.	
Telegraphic Transfer	157
Bank, on demand	157
ON SHANGHAI.	
Bank, at sight	71
Private, 30 days' sight	73
ON YOKOHAMA.	
On demand	23 p.c. dis.
ON MANILA.	
On demand	Par.
ON SINGAPORE.	
On demand	1 p.c. pm.
ON BATAVIA.	
On demand	125
ON HANKOW.	
On demand	2 p.c. pm.
ON SAIGON.	
On demand	1 p.c. pm.
ON HONGKONG.	
On demand	60
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	9.45
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tola	49.60
BAR SILVER, per oz	20.1

## OPTIUM.

Quotations are:—	Allow 1/2 net. to 1 centy.
Malwa New	\$790 to \$800 per picul.
Malwa Old	\$820 to \$830
Malwa Old	\$840 to "
P. P. Per-malwa	\$850 to "
Persian fine quality	\$870 to \$900.
Persian extra fine	" to " per chest.
Patna New	\$912 to "
Patna Old	" to "
Bengal New	\$910 to "
Bengal Old	" to "

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL.  
The Indo-China steamer *Singhai*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port at 7 a.m. on the 28th ult., and is due here to-day.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.  
The P. & O. steamer *Bengal* left Singapore for this port on the 3rd inst. at 3 p.m., and the outward English mails, and is due here on the 9th inst. at about 1 p.m.

THE GERMAN MAIL.  
The Imperial German Mail steamer *Princess Irene*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 12th ult., left Colombo on Thursday, the 29th ult., p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 10th inst.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Konig Albert* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on Sunday, the 2nd inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 11th inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.  
The T. K. K. steamer *Hongkong Maru*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco, left Yokohama on the 13th ult., and is expected to arrive here on the 10th inst.

The O. & O. steamer *Doric*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 28th ult.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.  
The N. Y. K. steamer *Kinshu Maru* (American Line) left Kobe via Moji for this port on the 3rd inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 10th inst.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Hiroshima Maru* (Shimonoseki Line) left Shimonoseki on Wednesday, the 5th inst. at 4 p.m., and is due to arrive here on the 10th inst.

The N. P. steamer *Duke of Fife* has arrived from Yokohama and left for Hongkong on the 5th inst.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	ISSUED.	PAID UP.	LAST DIVIDEND.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
<b>BANKS.</b>					
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	125	125	30/- div. at 1/11/11d. = \$15.09 per share for 1st half year 1900	322 p. c. pr. = \$427.10
Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.	100,875	28	28	None	21
Do. Deceased	1,250	21	21	None	25 5s.
National Bank of China, Ltd.	10,070 A	41	41	2/6 for 1899	\$20, buyers
Do. Founders' Shares	29,053 B	41	41	1/11/11d. = \$1.36 for '99	\$28, buyers
(750 fms.)					\$20.
<b>MARINE INSURANCES.</b>					
Union Ins. Society, Ltd.	10,000	250	250	40 p. ct. = \$20 for 1899	\$345.
China Traders Ins. Co., Ltd.	24,000	383.33	383	Int. T. 3.23 = \$1.542/2/10	\$51, sellers
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	5,000	210	210	Int. T. 3.23 = \$1.542/2/10	\$110.
Yangtze Ins. Assn., Ltd.	8,000	100	100	30/- 40 p. ct. for 1897	\$117 1/2, sellers
Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	10,000	250	250	\$12 for 1899	\$117 1/2, buyers
Estates Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	100	100	5 per cent. for 1895	\$1.
<b>FIRE INSURANCES.</b>					
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	5,000	250	250	\$27 for 1898	\$295, sellers
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	20,000	100	100	\$8 for 1898	\$70, sellers
<b>SHIPPING.</b>					
Hongkong, Canton and Macao S. S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	115	115	\$120 for half year ended 30/6/100	\$334, sellers
Indo-China S. S. Co., Ltd.	60,000	210	210	20 p. ct. = \$2 p. ct. bonus for '99	\$96, sellers
China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	6,000	50	50	20 per cent. for 1899	\$25, sales & sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	50	50	12 per cent. for year ending 30/6/10	\$50, sellers
China Mutual S. S. Co., Ltd.	20,000	210	210	Int. of 2 1/2 per cent. on a/c. of 1899	\$11 1/2, buyers
Do. Ordinary	20,000	210	210	Int. of 5 per cent. on a/c. of 1899	\$41, buyers
Do. Do.	20,000	210	210	\$105 = 12 p. ct. for year ended 30/6/100	\$41, sales & sellers
Star Ferry Co., Limited	10,000	10	10	Int. of 5 p. ct. on account of 1900	\$23 5s, buyers
Sholl Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	21	21	Int. of 5 p. ct. on account of 1900	
<b>REFINERIES.</b>					
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	100	100	Int. of \$2 1/2 per share on a/c. 1900	\$123.
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	7,000	100	100	\$3 for 1897	\$35, buyers
<b>MINING.</b>					
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	60,000	28	28	None	\$4.10, sales
Do. Preference	30,000	1	1	None	75 cents.
Société Fran. des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	250	250	None	\$300, buyers
Queens Mines, Limited	400,000	25 cts.	25 cts.	None	7 cents, sales & sellers
Jelebu Mining and Trading Company, Ltd.	45,000	5	5	5 p. ct. half year end. 31/7/94 (coupon)	\$64, sellers
Rauk Australian Gold Mining Co., Limited	200,000	41	10/10	1/8 1/2 51 cts. 10th div. on 7/7/00	\$43, sellers
Oliver's Freehold Mines, Limited	14,000	5	5	None	\$120, sellers
Great Eastern and Cal. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	140,000	24	24	First year	5 cents
Do. Preference	70,000	1	1	None	30 cents
<b>Docks, Wharves, &amp;c.</b>					
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited	12,500	125	125	\$2 p. ct. = \$2 p. ct. bonus for 1 year ended 30/6/100	\$45 per c. pr. = \$808.25
Hongkong and Whampoa Wharf and G. Co., Ltd.	30,000	50	50	Int. of 5 p. cent. on account of 1900	\$83, buyers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd.	2,800	100	37 1/2	Int. of \$1 on account of 1900	\$64, buyers
New Ancoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	30	30	22 per cent. for 1899	\$20, buyers
<b>LANDS, HOTELS &amp; BUILDINGS.</b>					
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	100	100	Int. \$3 on account 1900	\$158.
Kowloon Land & B. Co., Ltd.	6,000	50	50	\$11 for 1899	\$25 1/2, buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	50	50	Int. \$1.50 on acct. 1900	\$48, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	50	50	10 p. ct. for half year ended 30/6/100	\$120.
Oriente Hotel Co., Limited	7,000	50	50	First year	70
Humphreys Est. & Fin. Co.	100,000	10	10	5 per cent. for 1899	\$11.75, sales
<b>COTTON MILLS.</b>					
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	17,500	115	115	2 1/2 p. ct. for period ending 31/10/97	Tls. 321.
Internat. Cot. Mfg. Co., Ltd.	10,000	115	115	8 p. ct. on account '98	Tls. 36
Loan-kung-mow Cotton Spin. & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	115	115	4 p. ct. on account '98	Tls. 30
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Ltd.	2,000	115	115	4 p. ct. for period ending 31/12/97	Tls. 375
Yahlong Cot. Spin. Co., Ltd.	7,000	115	115	None	Tls. 40
Hongkong Cotton Spin. & Weav. Co., Ltd.	12,000	100	100	None	\$5, buyers
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>					
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	50,000	10	10	10 p. c. for 100 ono. Capt.	\$131, buyers
China Doree Co., Ltd.	7,500	20	20	None	\$81.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	60,000	10	10	Int. 5 p. per cent. for 1899	\$15 1/2, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	80,000	10	10	70 cents per share = \$70	\$114, buyers
Hongkong and China Gas Company, Limited	30,000	10	10	5 p. c. for 1899	\$118, buyers
Hongkong Zope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	7,000	410	410	10 p. ct. for 1899	\$170, sellers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	4,000	25	25	15 per cent. for 1899	\$50.
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	5,000	25	25	Int. \$2 p. on acct. 1900	\$178, sellers
Hongkong High Level (Transport) Co., Ltd.	1,250	100	100	\$12 for year ended 30/11/99	\$180, buyers
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	10,000	71	71	12 p. ct. for 1899	\$7, sales
Carmichael & Co., Ltd.	2,000	25	25	12 p. ct. for 1899	\$20, buyers
Hk. & China Bakery Co., Ltd.	600	50	50	12 p. ct. for 1899	\$20, buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	1,200	10	10	12 p. ct. for 1899	\$20, buyers
Bell's Asbestos & Agcy., Ltd.	10,000	21	21	75/- per share for 1st year ended 31/5/00	\$11.
Agency, Limited	100 fms.	10	10	None	\$3, buyers
Tobacco Planting Co., Ltd.	20,000	45	45	80 cents for period ending 31/12/99	\$9.75, sales & sellers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	40,000	290	290	80 cents for period ending 31/12/99	\$104, buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	10	10	5 p. c. for 1899	\$5, buyers
Universal Trading Co., Ltd.	60,000	20	20	None	\$5, buyers
<b>COAL COMPANIES.</b>					
Alumina, Limited	200	500	500	5 p. c. for year ended 30/6/100	\$150, buyers
Alumina, Limited	200	500	500	Int. of 10 p. c. for 1899	\$1,000 ex div.
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STATION.	Hour.	Barometer.	Thermometer.	Humidity.	Wind.	Force.	Weather.
Vietrook	2 p.	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Kobe	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Nagasaki	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Kagoshima	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Tsushima	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Taichu	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Tainan	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Kohun	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Pescadore	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Guzlat	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Shanghai	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Swatow	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Canton	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Hongkong	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Victoria Peak	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Gap Rock	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Macao	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Haiphong	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Malata	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Bacod	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Iloilo	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
Cebu	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov
C. S. James	"	30.27	81	88	SE	4	ov

On the 6th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has fallen in the North, from the Philippines. A depression is moving Eastward between the S. coast of China and W. Japan. Forecast: moderate to fresh S.W. wind, rain.